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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 13, Clement's Lane,

Lombard Street; GEORGE STUART, 50,

Cornhill; GORDON & GOTCH, 141, New

Cornhill; E. C. PARKER HENRY & CO.,

4, Old Bond Street; in India,

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer and General

Commissioner for the China Mail, at the

Commercial Bank Building, Queen's Road,

Hongkong, January 4, 1869.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports

generally.—W. H. BAILEY, Son

Proprietor, 11, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

CHINA.—J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer

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Mail, at the Commercial Bank Building,

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AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW

ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Mel-

bourne and Sydney.

WIRE ROPE, from 1 in. to 3 in. Gal-

vanized Job HANKS, 2 in. to 8 in.

Superior Bottled ALE and Guiness

STOUT, Pump LEATHER,

Apply to J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer

and General Commissioner for the China

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Queen's Road, Hongkong, January 4, 1869.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 6, "Leven," H. B. M. gunboat, 300,

Cameroun, Manila via Macao, Dec. 23, and

7th January, 1869.

Departures.

Jan. 7, Formosa, for East Coast.

7, Tsin-tau, for Shanghai.

7, City of Nagasaki, for Nagasaki.

7, Jen Yen Chien, for Macao.

7, Caroline, for Whampoa.

7, Candace, for Whampoa.

7, Utasse, for Saigon.

Shipping Reports.

H. B. M. gunboat "Leven" from Manila,

reports the first part of passage light wind

and calm till 2000 December, then had

heavy gales from N.E., which lasted for 24

hours, then moderate weather till arrival

at Macao on 6th January; she left Macao

on same day for Hongkong.

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Despatch.

New Advertisements.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

CALCUTTA.

The British agent for

"CATHERINE APOL,"

Capt. SWANSON, will be despatched

for the above ports, on Wednesday next,

the 13th Inst., at 2 p.m.

Despatches will close at 1 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Hongkong, January 1, 1869.

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FOR SHANGHAI.

The steamship "UNITED SERVICE,"

expected from Shanghai in a day

or two, will meet with quick despatch.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

THE BORNEO COMPANY LIMITED,

Hongkong, January 1, 1869.

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FOR SAIGON.

The A 1 British ship

"OCEAN EMPRESS,"

Capt. McDONALD, Master, will have

quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to

GRUN & CO.,

Hongkong, January 1, 1869.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

F. A. WHEELER, begs to announce to

his patrons and the public generally,

that he has removed to No. 20, Queen's

Road Central, (opposite LANE, CRAWFORD

& CO.) where he hopes by attention to

his business to receive a continuance of their

patronage.

Hongkong, January 6, 1869.

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JUST LANDED AND FOR SALE.

A SMALL Invoice of superior Calcutta

CHOCOLATE, Chocolatier,

Mangoes, Nabob, Mangos Sliced, Luck-

now, Bengal Club, Cashew, Bombay, In-

dian Mangoes Navette.

Also dozen of Curry POWDER,

India Treasure WAX,

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer and General Commissioner

Agent.

Commercial Bank Building,

Queen's Road, Hongkong, January 6, 1869.

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FOR SALE.

BASS'S BEER, quarts and pints.

Also 1/2 Pint, 1/4 Pint, 1/2 Quart, 1/2

Champagne ALE, 1/2 Pint, 1/4 Pint,

Briggs PORTER, 1/2 Pint, 1/4 Pint,

Pale India STOUT, 1/2 Pint, 1/4 Pint,

French PATTES, 1/2 Pint, 1/4 Pint,

Imperial PLUMS, 1/2 Pint, 1/4 Pint,

TOBACCO and CIGARS,

SHERRY—PORT—CHAMPAGNE,

Yellow SOAP, 1/2 Pint, 1/4 Pint,

Toilet SETS,

TURPENTINE—Paint OIL—CANVAS

etc., etc., etc.,

A small portable PUMP, with HOSE

completely

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer and General Commissioner

Agent.

Commercial Bank Building,

Queen's Road, Hongkong, January 6, 1869.

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FOR SALE.

H. D. CHAMBERS' PIANO, by ZETTER & CO.,

London, 1/2 Pint, 1/4 Pint, 1/2 Quart,

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

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Agent.

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New Advertisements.

FOR SALE.

CERTAIN Obscure German Rhymes sign-

ed with the initials W. L. having

been circulated in Hongkong, the Under-

signed begs herewith to notify to the public

that he has nothing to do with their author-

ship.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer and General Commissioner

Agent.

Commercial Bank Building,

Queen's Road, Hongkong, January 6, 1869.

Hongkong, January 6, 1869.

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Auctions.

FOR SALE.

BOWRA & CO. will sell by Public

Auction, on

TUESDAY,

12th January, 1869, at 11 o'clock A.M.,

on the Premises, Queen's Road West,

Two doors West from the "London Inn,"

Sundry Household FURNITURE

Glassware, Crockery-ware, a large Col-

lection of Engravings and Paintings

etc., etc.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery

of each article.

HONGKONG, January 4, 1869.

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Auctions.

FOR SALE.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
M R D. O. CLARK retires from our Firm, and Mr J. MURRAY FOWERS and Mr E. D. BARBOUR are admitted Partners from this date.

RUSSELL & Co.
China, January 1, 1869.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr GEORG WILHELM SCHWEMMANN and of Mr RUDOLPH HENSEL in our firm ceased on the 31st December 1867, and 31st December 1868 respectively.

Mr FREDERICK NISSEN and Mr HUMPHREY HOPE have this day been admitted partners in our firm at Hongkong and in China, which now consists of Mr GEORGE THEODOR SIMONSEN, Mr WOLF HANSEN, Mr ADOLPH JOUTT, Mr FREDERICK NISSEN and Mr HUMPHREY HOPE.

SIMONSEN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1869.

NOTICE.
THE interest and responsibility of Mr WILLIAM NELSON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June 1868.

MR THOMAS TILM, MR. WILLIAM NELSON and Mr H. SEYMOUR GRAY are authorized to sign our Firm in Hongkong and China from this date.

OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, October 6, 1868.

NOTICE.
I HAVE this day established myself as a PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AVERAGE ADJUSTER and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT
C. LANGDON DAVIES,
Hongkong, July 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
ROOM and after this date Mr GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this port.

S. L. PHELPS,
Agent.
Hongkong, August 15, 1868.

NOTICE.
M R. HENRY LISTER DALBRYMPLE is authorized to sign our Firm for pro-curation at Foochow from this date.

C. LANGDON DAVIES,
BIRLEY & Co.
Hongkong, June 3, 1868.

NOTICE.
I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under his Style and Firma of Gifford F. PARKER & Co.

GIFFORD FORBES PARKER,
Saigon, December 20, 1868.

NOTICE.
WE have authorized Mr. CLAUDE BUDD to sign our Firm from this date.

DREYER & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
I HAVE this day authorized Mr. C. LANGDON DAVIES to sign my Firm for pro-curation to all orders for goods supplied to the Hongkong Hotel, and I alone am liable to pay for goods supplied upon such orders, but not for my personal account.

I have further authorized Mr. Davies to collect all debts due to me on Hotel account, for which his receipt will be sufficient discharge.

LEE AFOONG,
Hongkong, December 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
M R. J. H. SCHROEDER is authorized to sign our Firm for pro-curation, from this date.

SCHWENCK & THIEL,
Saigon, November 14, 1868.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Underwriters with a list of Premiums contributed by them up to the 31st October last, to afford the distribution of the 26 per cent. Dividends reserved for the Contributors to the Company.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
Hongkong, January 2, 1869.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The General Dividend of Dollars Three Hundred and Fifty (\$350) per share will be payable at the office of the Company, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warranties on and after the 15th instant.

By order,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, December 9, 1868.

NOTICE.
UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, 1869.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Mortgagor to sell by Public Auction, on

Wednesday,

the 3rd of March 1869, at Noon, on the Premises, under the power of sale contained in the deed of Mortgage.

THAT spacious, handsome and conveniently situated DWELLING-HOUSE on CAINE ROAD, built on Inland Lot 157, with the Out-Offices and extensive Ground attaching the Lot; measures on the North and Northwest 136 feet, on the South (Caine Road) 132 feet, on the East 346 feet and in the West 331 feet, the total area being 45,103 square feet. The ground rent is \$199.48 per annum.

For further particulars apply to the undersigned.

TERMS OF SALE.—One half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, the balance on completion of the deed of transfer. All expenses of transfer to be paid by the purchaser. The property to be at the risk of the purchaser from the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, January 7, 1869.

SAIL-MAKING.

DAVOCETT & Co., having secured the services of an experienced Sail-Maker, are prepared to MAKE OF RETAIN SAILS at very reasonable rates.

Hongkong, December 10, 1868.

EXCURSION TO SAN CHOAN AND BACK.

ON Saturday 13th January, CONSECRATION OF THE CHAPEL ERECTED OVER THE GRAVE OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER.

THIS ceremony of consecration will take place on a Sunday in January, to be named hereafter. Persons desirous of being present thereto, will be kind enough to leave their names with Messrs De Souza & Co., Hollywood Road.

It is intended to charter a steamer from Hongkong for the occasion.

By order of the Committee.

J. M. DE SOUZA,
Secretary.
Hongkong, December 19, 1868.

Insurances.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL 2,000,000 DOLLARS, in 2,000 Shares of 1,000 Dollars each.

Consulting Committee:
GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.
WM. KAYE, Esq.
R. ROWETT, Esq.
S. D. SAISON, Esq.
F. BUXLEY, Esq.

General Managers:—MESSRS JARDINE, MATHERSON & CO.

Head Office: No. 39, Queen's Road.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, which expires by effluxion of time in a few months, having proved a highly successful undertaking, it has been determined by a large number of its shareholders to form a permanent Company, under the same management and with increased capital.

It is proposed to register the Company under the Limited Liability Ordinance, and the amount of the Capital having been fixed at Two Millions of Dollars, it is considered that Insurers will be amply secured thereby, while at the same time each shareholder will know the extent of his individual liability. The capital proposed to be called up amounts to a large sum, and provision will be made for the creation of an ample Reserve Fund, which will be expected in a very short time, accumulate to an amount practically to give the fullest security both to Insurers and Insured, irrespective of the unpaid Capital.

It is intended to anticipate the termination of the Old Company, by dissolving it from and after the 31st December next, and measures are being taken for that purpose.

In anticipating a successful career for the New Company, it is only necessary to present to the public the results of the Old Company since its establishment in May 1866, as exhibited by the following figures:

The total premium collected from the 1st May 1866 to the present time, a period of only two years and five months, amount to \$304,727.23

The losses which have been paid within the same period have amounted to \$150,081.22

and include the large sum of \$65,270 lost by the Fire at Hongkong in Nov. 1867.

The amount now at the Credit of the Working Account, after paying all Expenses and Re-insurances to date, exceeds \$100,000.00

These figures fully warrant the most sanguine expectations of success, and it is but reasonable to expect that, strengthened with larger Capital, the present undertaking cannot fail to prove at least as successful as the former one. The Old Company, when it entered the field, had to create a business for itself, but the New, in taking over the outstanding risks and connections of the Old Company, will at once receive a very large amount of premium and enter on a profitable and organised business. Moreover, there is no doubt that the risk of Fire in Hongkong has been greatly diminished by the Building Regulations now in force, and by the establishment of a Fire Brigade.

The following are the main features of the New Company:

1. A first Call of \$100, to be paid upon each share, on allotment, and a further Call of \$100 to be paid in Six Months, all further Calls to be determined upon at General Meetings of the shareholders.

2. Interest at 12 per cent. per annum to be in the first instance allowed on the paid up Capital, such Interest to be payable half-yearly, on 30th June, and 31st December.

The profits after deducting the said Interest to be applied thus:—20 per cent. pro rata, amongst such of the shareholders as shall have contributed or influenced business to the Company, and the remainder in forming a Reserve Fund of \$250,000.

3. When such Reserve Fund shall have been accumulated, the payment of Interest to cease, and the profits to be applied thus:—20 per cent. to be distributed as already mentioned amongst the shareholders who shall have contributed business to the Company; 30 per cent. to the augmentation of the Reserve Fund until it shall reach \$1,000,000, at which figure it is to be permanently maintained; and the remaining 50 per cent. to be distributed by way of dividend amongst the shareholders generally.

4. No shareholder to hold more than 250 shares.

5. The Company to be managed by General Managers, with the assistance of a Consulting Committee.

6. The funds of the Company to be deposited in Banks or in Government Securities approved of by the Committee.

The Dead of Association may be inspected at the Office of the General Managers, or at the Office of Mr HENRY C. CALDWELL, the Solicitor of the Company.

Hongkong, December 15, 1868.

New Advertisements.

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FOR SALE.

HE Cargo of the "Shirley," from New York.

1,122 Tons Pittition COAL.
75 OARS, 16 feet long.

12 h'blea. Dried APPLES.

100 Boxes Navy OAKUM.

194 pces. white Pine PLANKS, 8,744 ft.

99 Oak Do. 6,638 ft.

30 HANDSPIKES.

Store TRUCKS, ROSIN, PITCH, and TAR.

Apply to

AUGUSTINE, HEARD & Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1868.

HAI-DRESSING ROOM.

THE undersigned begs to inform his Customers and the Public generally that the above Establishment has this day Resolved, to 34 Howwood Road, near to the following rates of Postage, and of Declining a Dividend.

By order of the Board of Directors,

AUGUSTINE, HEARD & Co.

General Agents.

Hongkong, December 23, 1868.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAM-BOAT COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of

Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Victoria,

Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 20th day of

January next, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon,

for the purpose of receiving the statement

of accounts with the Report of the Directors, and of declaring a Dividend.

By order of the Board of Directors,

AUGUSTINE, HEARD & Co.

General Agents.

Hongkong, December 23, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer books of the Company will

be closed from the 4th day to the 19th

day of January next, inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

AUGUSTINE, HEARD & Co.

General Agents.

Hongkong, December 23, 1868.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

All Orders for Goods Supplied to or

for Work done for the Hotel must be

signed by the Secretary of the Company.

The Company will not undertake to pay for any Goods Supplied without such

Order.

By order of the Board of Directors,

C. LANGDON DAVIES,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 27, 1868.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

NOTICE.

THIS HOTEL will be conducted under a

new arrangement commencing on the

1st of December. The Charges for Board

will remain as follow:

Board, \$45 a month. Tiffin only, \$15 a month. Dinners only, \$30 a month. One Breakfast, or one Cup, 20 cents. One Dinner, \$1.25.

There is an excellent assortment of wines for sale at moderate prices.

The Charge for Lodging will be very

considerably reduced

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DAY, JAN. 7, 1869.

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by, giving the defeated rebels time to
strengthen themselves, and gain heart
once more, until at length it became
known that a full moon had passed in
which Gordon operated, as presented to
the reader, and much is therefore lost to
one who has never beheld that extraordi
nary plain, spreading in an almost
unbroken level for more than one hun
dred miles westward from Shanghai;
except where isolated peaks and ridges
of limestone suddenly thrust themselves
upward through the exuberant rice
lands, furrowed in every direction by
rivers that flow with the placidity of
canals and canals that attain the dimen
sions of rivers or those chains of lakes
once surrounded by populous and wealthy
towns, but deserted in 1863 by all save
a few wretched villagers, still clinging in
hopeless poverty, to the blackened ruins
of their homes, whilst grim and strong
in the midst of this vast expanse, yester
day the most fertile, busy, and densely
populated region in China, but now
deserted, barren, and wholly given up
to battle, sits in the fortified ruins of
its ancient magnificence, the city of
Soochow, its fifteen miles of battlemented
wall bedizened with flaunting
rebel banners, its closed gateways
converted into forts, its devastated
suburbs furrowed with protecting out
works, and its peaceful population mas
sacred and supplanted by the fierce and
well-armed host, the insurgent ranks
could supply. A correct understanding
of the method by which Major Gordon's
troops were maneuvered and his victories
blameworthy than it had been considered
by Gordon, that he wrote repeatedly
urging the letter to resume his active
career, and the impression is conveyed
that to such communications the sudden
resignation of Major Gordon, in throwing
over his determination to remain passive
at Quinsay until the Governor's conduct
should be investigated, was due. Ac
cording to information upon which we
can rely, however, Mr Hart's agency
in the matter was far more direct than this.
Fully aware as he was both of the eager
impatience for action and useful work
which formed one of the British com
mander's most prominent characteristics,
and deeply impressed with the noble
generosity and care for others which also
most highly distinguished Major Gordon,
Mr Hart appears to have resolved upon
a course of proceeding which was beyond
question the employment in other than
subordinate posts of European agents in
the Chinese Customs' service. Proceeding
to Soochow he prevailed upon the
Governor to despatch Mr Wilson a consider
able sum of money, which, although
justly due to officers of the "Ever Victo
rious Army," was compensation for
wounds, had hitherto been refused; and
shortly afterwards, proceeding himself to
Quinsay, he succeeded in bringing Gor
don thence to Soochow, and in effecting
a complete reconciliation between the
British commander and Li Hung-chang.
A few days afterwards, Shanghai, still
ringing with Gordon's denunciations of
the Governor, was startled to hear that
the disciplined force was once more
moving under his orders, and a short
campaign ensued in which, although an
unusual proportion of rebels was exper
ienced, and even the hitherto invincible
Gordon himself was wounded, the Imperialist
troops were shortly placed in
possession of every fortified position held
by the Rebels except Nanking, which
last hold at length also succumbed to
the siege carried on against it by the
Viceroy Teng Kwo-fan in July of the
same year.

It would be unfair to Mr Wilson were

we to omit mentioning with commenda
tion the loyalty with which he has
observed the characteristic wish expressed

by Lieut. Col. Gordon, who, as we

learn from the Preface, was anxious

that he should not be made the hero

of the present work; and difficult as the

task must have been, Mr Wilson has

certainly succeeded in describing a cam
paign, the entire merit of which was

admittedly Gordon's own, without giving

to the central figure that prominence for

which he avowed beforehand so great

a distaste, yet at the same time without

concealing the fact of his extraordinary

ability, and of the mastery he displayed

Whether he likes it or not, however,

Lieut. Col. Gordon will undoubtedly

remain a hero in the recollection of all

who knew him during his stirring career

in China, and who cherish a remembrance

of him, with loving pride, as a Chevalier

sans peur et sans reproche. To all such

the perusal of Mr Wilson's work will be

undoubtedly a pleasure.

The subject then dropped.

Ten coolies, apprehended last night as

suspicious characters upon the information

of Mr D. R. Caldwell, were placed in

the dock. Inspector Ormond stated that he

went with a party of constables to the house

pointed out, and having removed a catch

on the door, entered the same and appre
hended the prisoners. The house, theInspector said, was in a well-situated local
ity but little frequented by thieves.

He was prosecuted under a law

which is still in the book of British

statutes, but it is now practically ex
tinct in the United Kingdom. It seems

to be reserved for Colonial use only.

The following is the paragraph we refer to:

The case of Wason v. Walter came before

the Court of Queen's Bench again yesterday

(Nov. 19.) The plaintiff, it will be re
membered, brought an action against Mr Hart

for damages for false and other

historical accessories to possess more than

a hundred volumes as a work of reference.

To those who witnessed and heard all

the events described, the work will al
ways be a valuable aid memoir withreference to the writer's successfully deve
loped during the remaining career of

the Rev. Mr. Wason conducting his own case, and the

jury returned a verdict for the defendant

The Lord Chief Justice held that accurate

and bona fide reports of the debates in Par
liament, though redacting on private par
ticulars, could be found in almost every

house in Taiping-haus and a man was

deemed to whom it related.

Opp. very

produced who sub-lets the house to the

prisoner, his Worship discharged the pri
soners, and recalled a previous order to com
pel them to provide security for \$5 each.Inspector Grey produced two other Chi
nese, apprehended at West Point, upon

information of Mr Caldwell. One of these,

Mr. T. Jones, Q.C., and Mr. Turner sup
ported it. In the course of the arguments

the Lord Chief Justice said no doubt

the reason why a convenient reporter's gallery

was provided was to have some control over

the reports of the debates, and if abused to

bring the offending party to the bar of the

House for a breach of privilege. And in

considering old decisions bearing on the

question they must not let their eyes be led

around, but nobody would deplore

the suppression of their speeches more than

the members themselves.

The House of

Commons sanctioned the publication of the

debates. The bearing of the case was ult
imately adjourned.A Chinaman was charged by Mr. Le Con
teur of the Harbour Master's Department,with picking cotton from bales on the Pra
ya which did not belong to him. Mr. Le Con
teur saw prisoner do so over and over againand then had him arrested. The cotton was pro
duced, — His Worship advised pris
oner to get his living in a different way, and

convicted him of unlawful possession with a fine of 20/- in default 21 days hard labor.

The Magistrate thanked Mr. Le Con
teur.The boatman was charged by Mr. Le Con
teur.

LOCAL

LICENCE MEETING.

There was only one application for license to sell spirits before the sitting Justices of the Peace to-day at the Magistrate's Messrs May (presiding) and Mitchell, and Mr. Murray (vice-president). Mr. J. Smith got a license for the Yukon Hotel, Tsimshiat, late El Dorado. Mr. May, however, "recalled" the plaintiff for not appearing sooner than 11.30, half-an-hour before time, and cautioned him again to transact his business.

By our Police report, we observe, that an

interpretor called the attention of the

Magistrate to a certain paragraph which ap
peared in our last night's issue, in which an Armenian subordinate of the Court

was, as he thinks, unfairly accused of having

intentionally misled him. The Report of the morning journal was also misread and only discovered the truth on a subsequent inquiry; and that the Armenian subordinate received a note from the defendant in question (for his friends) requesting him to use his influence (7) with the reporter to publish a false

story. In the direction above stated, the little affair may do good in the long run.

As alarm of fire was given last night at about 8.15, and the First Brigade "hand-engines" (police), under Mr. Dean, and Hongkong Fire Insurance Co.'s Steam Engine were quickly down to Bonham Strand, from whence the alarm was originated; but although enquiries were made everywhere in the neighbourhood, no signs of fire could be discovered. The Engine accordingly returned to their respective engine-houses after waiting a short time. This morning, however, it was reported that fire had been thrown into No. 110 Bonham Strand (an unoccupied house). If this report is true, strict enquiry should be made, at the house in question, surrounded by mat
makers, and great quantities of this inflammable material are daily stored in the neighbourhood. The police are endeavouring to find out the truth of the matter; but so far as we can learn, have as yet come to no satisfactory solution of the curious porosity.

TO-DAY'S POLICE.

Mr. May sat this morning.

During the business of the morning Mr.

Aratton Seth, interpreter of the Hindustani language in the Court, rose and (addressing the Bench) said that he wished

to say a few words regarding a paragraph

which appeared in last night's "Daily Mail"

relative to a case heard and decided against Mr. Benjamin Mahanah. It was there said that an Armenian subordinate had intentionally misled their reporter. He wished to point out that the lie had told, and had asked him to return and make a confession: he had told a deliberate falsehood, and was checked completely. — Mr. Douglas (of the Gaol) showed that prisoner had been in Gaol for having no pass, and for being a rogue and vagabond; but said that doubts had been entertained of his soundness of mind; he was a little "gone" in the head. His Worship said that the prisoner was three years in Tam Achoy's employ, by whom he had been turned into the streets; it would have been better had prisoner been turned into his native street; and prisoner was accordingly sent to Tam Achoy's for assistance. On his return, it was found that prisoner had got a dollar from his countryman Tam Achoy to carry him to Canton, where it had been ascertained his wife resided and his Worship added half-a-dollar.

A Malay charged a Chinaman with having

picked his pocket of \$3 and 16 ten-cent

pieces; but the case was mixed up with a gambling incident, and it was remanded for further evidence.

The three Chinamen who fancied they

had been kidnapped from Shanghai to dry

salt at Surinam or elsewhere, were referred

to the reporter to be sent to Canton, in order that they might be forwarded to Shanghai by their

own authorities.

PHILLIPS V. EYRE.

People who have a taste for legal ques
tions, and who like to watch the manner in

which a legal argument balances from side

to side, will find ample gratification in the

elaborate argument upon the case of Phillips

v. Eyre, which took place the day before

yesterday (Nov. 17) in the Court of Queen's

Bench, when public attention was concen
trated upon the election, and withdrawal

from Westminster Hall. The question debated

was one of great interest, not only in a

legal point of view, but in that it involved

the question whether it was competent to the

Jamaican Legislature to pass an Act of

Indemnity for acts illegal in Jamaica, and

subsequently confirmed by her Majesty,</

Houses and Lands.

TO LET.

THE Corner House, No. 224, in Gage Street, containing six Rooms and a Committee's Room and Godowns attached. Water and Gas laid on.

Not particular apply to

H. P. STONE & CO.,

At Messrs P. & A. O. CAMERON,

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Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, December 1, 1868.

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With Immediate Possession.

TWO Two-Storyed Granite GODOWNS at

Wanchai, adjoining the Fisher's Yard

Apply to

LANDSTEIN & CO.,

Hongkong, November 25, 1868.

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W. immediate possession, the House

and Offices, No. 4, Gough Street,

lately occupied by Messrs A. WILKINSON &

CO.,

Apply to

GIBL LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

TO LET.

A CONVENIENTLY situated HOUSE

and Land, well built, well

landscaped, and in good condition.

Apply to

ALNBOLD KARBERG & CO.,

Hongkong, October 5, 1868.

TO LET.

THREE Specious GODOWNS suitable

for storing dry Goods; also a Fireproof

GODOWN capable of containing 1000

chests of Opium. Situated in the most con-

venient part of Queen's Road. Apply to

J. F. ROSE, Secretary,

Hongkong Hotel Company Limited,

Hongkong, August 12, 1868.

SITUATE IN QUEEN'S ROAD.

Two HOUSES TO LET.

RECENTLY put through Repair, si-

tuated on the KING of the Hill,

Westward, and an easy distance from the

Queen's Road. Apply to

M. BARRINGTON,

Wyndham Street,

Hongkong, May 18, 1868.

NOTICE.

LIGHTERAGE AND STOBAGE.

THE Underwriter will undertake to land

Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Mer-

chandise in their own Boats, and to receive

the same in STORAGE in First-class Gra-

ited godowns on Moderate Terms.

ROB. S. WALKER & CO.,

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Offices, and spacious Godowns.

Promised to be had on the 1st March,

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Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

TO LET.

Two New and Strong GODOWNS, on

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Apply to

GAVIN THOMPSON,

At GIBR, LIVIA STON & CO.,

Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

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A HOUSE in Spring Gardens, containing

11 four Rooms and Out Houses, Rent

\$100 per month.

Apply to the Victoria Foundry.

Hongkong, March 12, 1868.

Intimations.

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and a Boarding House, in the middle of

HAIR DRESSING SALOON.

OPEN from 8 A.M. to 8 P.M. Sunday,

to 12 M. for any Gentleman who

has the necessity of having any tonsorial

or hairdressing done.

By order,

W. P. MOORE,

Hongkong, December 8, 1868.

JOHN THOMPSON & CO.,

DISPENSING & ANALYTICAL

PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTS.

SODA WATER MANUFACTURERS.

The Members of the late Hongkong Vo-

lunteer Corps are hereby requested to

return, without delay, to the Undersigned

the Rifles they have been allowed to re-

ceive, pending sanction for their purchase,

the same not having been allowed.

H. COHEN,

Hongkong, March 13, 1867.

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sive of postage) \$12 per annum; payable

in advance.

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HONGKONG.

SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS

SUPPLIED & REFITTED.

Hongkong, May 1, 1867.

EASTLACK & WINN,

Surgeon Dentists

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.

BROWN, JONES & CO.,

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MONUMENTS and HEAD-STONES

ERECTED in the Best Style.

LEAD and METALLIC COFFINS, on

the Shortest Notice.

Apply to

H. P. STONE & CO.,

Queens' Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

NOTICE.

RENTS and Accounts COLLECTED with

punctuality and despatch.

Distress WARRANTS for Rent IS-

SUED and EXECUTED.

Security, if required.

THOS. W. BARRINGTON,

53, Wyndham Street,

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NOTICE.

THE Office of the Undersigned has this day been Removed to No. 22 B, corner of STANLEY and POZINGER Streets, and occupies the former offices of GRUN & CO., COMMISSION AGENTS.

AND, in consequence, the Office of the

GENERAL COTTON TRADES, and the

Post-Office Notifications.

Post-Office Notifications.

MAILED BY THE "TRAVANCORE".
The Contract Packet "TRAVANCORE" will be dispatched with the usual Mail for Europe, &c., on TUESDAY, the 12th Instant, at 9 A.M., and the Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Papers for Registration, Newspapers, Books, &c., until 8 P.M. for the 12th instant. Letters to payee will be posted in the night box from 8 P.M. on the 11th instant, until 7 A.M. on the following morning.

All Letters posted between 7 and 8 A.M. on the 12th instant, will be chargeable, in addition to the usual postage, a Late Fee of 18 cents.

The latest time for posting Letters at this Office is 8 A.M. for Newspapers, Books, or Patterns 7 A.M. on the 12th instant.

Further late letters (but Letters only), addressed to the United Kingdom, via Marseilles or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet from 8.30 to 8.60 A.M. on payment of a late fee of 48 cents each, in addition to the postage, after which no letters can be received.

Sealed Boxes containing the correspondence of Box Holders will be received at the window set apart for the purpose, on the East Side of the building.

All correspondence for places to which postage is compulsory must be prepaid in Hongkong Postage Stamps.

Inadequately-stamped Letters addressed to the United Kingdom will be sent on charged with a line of One Shilling in addition to the postage.

Letters posted after 7 A.M. on the 12th instant will not be forwarded unless the Late Fee as well as the postage is prepaid.

Letters insufficiently stamped or unstamped addressed to places to which they cannot be forwarded unpaid, will be opened and returned to the writers as early as possible, but no guarantee can be given that such Letters, if posted after 8 P.M. on the 11th instant, will be returned until after the mail is closed.

Postage Stamps should be placed on the upper right hand corner of the correspondence, except in cases where they may be used in payment of "Late Fees," when the Stamp or Stamps representing the late fee should be placed on the lower left-hand corner.

All Postage will be conducted in the Coins prescribed by Ordinance 1, of 1864, and the Proclamation of the 22nd January, 1864, and no other Coins, but those therein specified will either be received or given in change as fractional parts of a Dollar.

Payment in Postage Stamps must be made in the current Dollars of the Colony or Bank Notes.

Money Orders on any of the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom will be granted until 5 P.M. on the 28th inst.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 22 August, 1868.

Post-Office Notifications.

of a Money Order, or to renew a lapsed Order. The additional Commission in the last case will be deducted from the amount of the new Order. Lapsed Orders must be presented with the application for a new Order.

12.—But when it is desired that any error in the name of the Remitter or Payee should be corrected or that the amount of a Money Order should be "repaired" to the Remitter, or that a Lapsed Order should be renewed for payment in the Country in which the Order was originally drawn, application must be made to the Chief Money Order Office of such Country. This application must be accompanied by an additional Commission, unless it have reference to a Lapsed Order, in which case the Commission will be deducted from the amount of the New Order.

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13.—Repayment whether of an original, or renewed, or a duplicate Order, will not be made to the remitter until it has been ascertained that the advice has been cancelled at the Office on which the Order was originally drawn.

14.—Payment of an Order must be obtained before the end of the Sixth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn; for instance, if drawn in January, payment must be obtained before the end of July, otherwise the Order will become lapsed, and a new Order (for which a second Commission to be deducted from the amount of the Order) will be charged will become necessary.

15.—If an Order be not paid before the end of the Twelfth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn,—for instance, if drawn in January and not paid before the end of the following January—then claim to the Money will be forfeited, unless, under peculiar circumstances, the Post Office of the Country in which the Order was drawn think proper to allow it.

16.—After once paying a Money Order by whomsoever presented, the paying Office will not be liable to any further claim. If a wrong payment, however, be made owing to negligence on the part of any Officer of the Post Office, the Postmaster General of the Colony or Colony, in which the negligence occurs will, if he see fit, require the Officer in fault to make good the loss.

17.—No Money Order will be paid unless the advice has been previously received.

18.—Additional Rules for greater security against fraud, and for the better working of the system generally will be made as occasion may require.

19.—Should it appear that Money Orders are used by mercantile men, or others, either in the United Kingdom or at Hongkong, Shanghai, or Yokohama, for the transmission of large sums of money, the British or Colonial Post Office, as the case may be, will consider the propriety of increasing the Commission, and will exercise their power of wholly suspending for a time the issue of Money Orders.

By Command, F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 22 August, 1868.

Docks.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the eight call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above-named Company is due on the 1st March next and will be payable at the office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of twelve per cent per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors, GEORGE N. MINTO,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 1, 1868.

FOOCHEW GRANITE FLOORED DOCK.

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON & GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

THE above Dock has been in full working order for the last four years. Length 300 feet, width at bottom 40 feet, depth of water on the sill, springs, average 17 feet, neaps 14 feet. The Dock in ordinary Tides runs dry to the Blocks and is pumped out by Steam.

For further particulars as to the price of coffering, &c., &c., apply to T. D. TILTINGSTAD, Esq., Messrs De Silver & Co., Hongkong; Messrs Sord & Co., Shanghai; or to the Undersigned.

In connection with the above is the famous twin screw tug "WOOSUNG." Vessels requiring the services of this Tug either from Macao (where a splendid anchorage will be found during the S.W. monsoon) or from the White Dogs, can obtain a title which does not consist of the names of the persons composing it, such as "Carron Co." is inadmissible.

6.—The Remitter on stating that the Order is to be paid only through a Bank, to have the option of giving or withdrawing the name of the Payee; in such case, the Order will be crossed in the same way that Cheques are commonly crossed when they are intended to be paid through a Bank.

7.—When an Order is presented through a Bank, a receipt by any person will be sufficient, provided the Order be crossed with the name of the receiving Bank, and be presented by some Person known to be in the employ of such Bank.

8.—The signature of the Payee of a Money Order is to be affixed to the Order in the place provided for the purpose. If the Payee be unable to write he must sign his name by making his mark in the presence of a Witness, who must sign his name, with his address in the presence of the Officer who pays the Order.

9.—Should the Payee of a Money Order desire to receive payment in the Country in which the Order was issued, at some other Office than that in which the Order was originally drawn, the transfer will be granted, provided the Order be inclosed to the Postmaster of the Office in which it was drawn. In such case a new Order will be issued, the Commission chargeable upon which will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

10.—In the event of a Money Order miscarrying or being lost, a duplicate will be granted on a written application from the Payee, containing the necessary particulars, and accompanied by an additional Commission to the Office where the Original Order was payable.

11.—On the receipt of a similar application, orders will be given to stop payment.

JOHN C. SKYE,
Manager.
Pagoda Anchorage, River Min.

HONGKONG, August 24, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM. UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurance, viz:-

Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from the Town, and their Contents, per cent.

Other Dwelling-Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, per cent.

GODWIN'S OFFICES, Shops, &c., and their Contents, per cent.

GIBR, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 10, 1868.

Insurances.

SEASIDE MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.

INCORPORATED 1859.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks on the usual terms.

GIBR, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO.

Hongkong, June 6, 1868.

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ESTABLISHED 1833.

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For further particulars, forms of proposals, &c., apply to

AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO.

Managing Agents in China.

Hongkong, June 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine risks at the current Rates.

Policies can be made payable at all the principal ports throughout the World.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & CO.,

Agents, Atlantic Fire Assurance Company.

Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant Risks on the usual terms.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

Dwelling-Houses removed from Town and their Contents, per cent.

Other Dwelling-Houses used strictly as such and their Contents, per cent.

GODWIN'S OFFICES, Shops, &c., and their Contents, per cent.

GILMAN & CO.,

Agents North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

Hongkong, March 9, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept risks and issue Policies on Life Assurances.

For further particulars, forms of proposals, &c., apply to

AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO.

Managing Agents in China.

Hongkong, June 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine risks at the current Rates.

Policies can be made payable at all the principal ports throughout the World.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & CO.,

Agents, Queen Insurance Company.

Hongkong, May 20, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies on the usual terms.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

Dwelling-Houses removed from Town and their Contents, per cent.

Other Dwelling-Houses used strictly as such and their Contents, per cent.

GODWIN'S OFFICES, Shops, &c., and their Contents, per cent.

GILMAN & CO.,

Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

Hongkong, June 21, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against Fire, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same.

GILMAN & CO.,

Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

Hongkong, July 27, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks.

For further particulars, forms of proposals, &c., apply to

AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO.

Managing Agents in China.

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against Fire.

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AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO.

Managing Agents in China.

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